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National Grid launches events programme across Anglesey and Gwynedd

Have your say before consultation closes on 16 December 2016

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National Grid is encouraging people to come and meet its team and find out more about its proposals to connect Wylfa Newydd as it launches a series of community events across Anglesey and North Gwynedd.

At the events there will be a whole range of ways people can see what the connection could look like through the use of virtual reality head-sets and a 3D computer model. This will allow users to search by postcode and see specific sections of the route from their address.

National Grid is running a three week programme of 19 events in towns and villages from 28 October to 15 November 2016. Its team will be on hand to answer questions to help local people better understand the proposals and provide feedback.

The company recently announced detailed plans for a new connection made of pylons and a tunnel at the Menai Strait – an essential part of bringing forward the investment in the new nuclear power station. It is holding its final route-wide consultation on the new connection so local people can have their say ahead of a planning application to the government in 2017.

Gareth Williams, Senior Project Manager, said:

“This is likely to be our last consultation on the whole connection so it’s really important people have a chance to come and talk to us and give us as much detailed feedback as they can.

“We’re holding events in community halls across Anglesey and North Gwynedd and we hope lots of people can attend. We’re also taking our consultation vehicle out and about and will have pop-up stands at key locations - we want to give people the best chance to come and ask us questions as they go about their day.”

National Grid consultation events timetable:

Community Events

Wednesday 26 October, 1.30pm-7.30pm Talwrn Village Hall, LL77 7ST

Friday 28 October, 1.30pm-7.30pm Llanfairpwll Primary School, Ffordd Caergybi, LL61 5TX
Friday 04 November, 1.30pm-7.30pm Tre-Ysgawen Hall, Capel Coch, LL77 7UR
Saturday 05 November, 10am-4pm Rhosybol School Community Hall, LL68 9PP
Saturday 12 November, 10am-4pm Llanfechell Community School, LL68 0SA
Tuesday 15 November, 1.30pm-7.30pm Penrhyn Hall, Tan y Fynwent, Bangor, LL57 1NW

Consultation vehicle events

Thursday 27 October, 12pm-2.30pm Glascoed Road car park, Cemaes, LL67 0HN
Saturday 29 October, 12pm-2.30pm Llys Menai car park, Wood Street, Menai Bridge, LL59 5QW
Tuesday 01 November, 12pm-2.30pm Stesion y Llan Café car park, Llanerchymedd, LL71 8EU
Thursday 03 November, 12pm-2.30pm Mill Street car park, Llangefni, LL77 7RT
Tuesday 08 November, 11am-1pm Tŷ Menai, Parc Menai Business Park, LL57 4HJ
Tuesday 08 November, 2.30pm-4.30pm Pringles car park, Llanfairpwll, LL61 5UJ
Wednesday 09 November, 12pm-2.30pm Co-op car park, Amlwch, LL68 9AL
Thursday 10 November, 12pm-2.30pm Mill Street car park, Llangefni, LL77 7RT
Friday 11 November, 12pm-2pm Tesco Extra car park, Bangor, LL57 4SU

Pop-up events

Wednesday 02 November, 2pm-4.30pm Pontio, Bangor University, LL57 2TQ
Wednesday 09 November, 5.30pm-7.30pm Galeri Caernarfon, Doc Fictoria, LL55 1SQ
Thursday 10 November, 5pm-7.30pm David Hughes Leisure Centre, Menai Bridge, LL59 5SS
Friday 11 November, 4pm-6.30pm Plas Arthur Leisure Centre, Llangefni, LL77 7QX

All event locations, dates and times, details of how people can provide their feedback, together with lots of other useful information, can be found at www.northwalesconnection.com

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- We own and operate the gas National Transmission System in Great Britain, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. Our network comprises approximately 7,660 kilometres (4,760 miles) of high-pressure pipe and 618 above-ground installations.
- As Great Britain's System Operator (SO) we make sure gas and electricity is transported safely and efficiently from where it is produced to where it is consumed. From April 2019, Electricity System Operator (ESO) is a new standalone business within National Grid, legally separate from all other parts of the National Grid Group. This will provide the right environment to deliver a balanced and impartial ESO that can realise real benefits for consumers as we transition to a more decentralised, decarbonised electricity system.

- Other UK activities mainly relate to businesses operating in competitive markets outside of our core regulated businesses; including interconnectors, gas metering activities and a liquefied natural gas (LNG) importation terminal – all of which are now part of National Grid Ventures. National Grid Property is responsible for the management, clean-up and disposal of surplus sites in the UK. Most of these are former gas works.

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